

AMENDMENT TO THE SPECIFICATION

Please replace the paragraph of the specification that begins on page 3, line 24, with the following amendment:

In Figure 1, [a] data outlets 10 provide[s] communications interfaces between user data and/or telephone devices (not shown) and premises equipment 12 located in a building or perhaps a campus of buildings. The collection of premises equipment 12 is also referred to herein as the "data infrastructure". The user devices connect to the data outlets 10 via some combination of wired links and wireless links, such as wired links 14, 16 and wireless link 18 as shown. In Figure 1, the links 14 and 18 are links to data devices such as [a] personal computers, [a] palmtop computers, etc., and the links 16 [is] are [a] links to [a] telephones, which may be either [an] analog or digital telephones. Although not shown in Figure 1, the data outlet 10 may also provide [a] wireless links to [a] cellular telephones (not shown) or other personal communication devices.

Please replace the paragraph of the specification that begins on page 4, line 26 with the following amendment:

[The] Each data outlet 10 is coupled to the premises equipment/data infrastructure 12 by one or more links 20. For example, a link 20 in a home may employ the home's telephone wiring. A wireless link may be used as well, either alone or in conjunction with a wired link. In a commercial setting, the link 20 may include data cabling such as coaxial cabling, unshielded twisted pair cabling, etc. The communications protocol employed over the link 20 may be one of several types, as described below.